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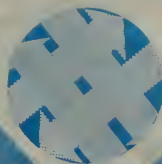
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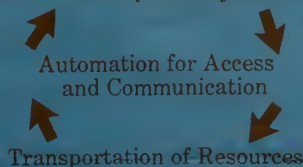


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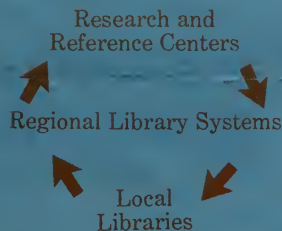
Resource Interdependence

Resource development by all libraries



Transportation of Resources

Library Information Flow



Illinois State Library
Coordinator of ILLINET and One of Four
Research and Reference Centers

Lincoln Trail Libraries System
One of 18 Regional Library Systems

University of Illinois
A local academic library and Research
and Reference Center providing most
interlibrary materials

Sharing resources to fill the needs of library patrons is the cornerstone of a special partnership in Illinois. This resource partnership is called the Illinois Library and Information Network (ILLINET) and consists of more than 2,500 libraries.

The Illinois State Library coordinates ILLINET through 18 regional library systems and four designated Research and Reference Centers. Within the 18 library systems, telecommunication systems link school, academic, public and special libraries to facilitate the sharing of resources. The University of Illinois has been instrumental in developing that telecommunications system.

Under this system, librarians use computers to search other library collections and locate materials requested by local patrons. These materials are then borrowed through interlibrary loan. The Research and

Reference Centers, which have extensive collections, are a major source of interlibrary loan materials, with the University of Illinois filling most interlibrary loan requests. The Lincoln Trail Libraries System, which serves east central Illinois, is responsible for processing interlibrary loan materials for the University.

After an item is located, the Intersystem Library Delivery Service will quickly deliver the material. This dedicated delivery system includes six routes and 38 direct drop-off points and operates 24 hours a day during the week.

While ILLINET primarily focuses on the availability and delivery of information resources, its human resources are equally important. Through ILLINET, hundreds of professional librarians work together to produce innovative and far-reaching improvements in the delivery of library services.

Meeting the Information Needs of Illinois Citizens

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